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FRENCH GUNS TRAP TEUTON ATTACKERS ON VERDUN LINE

Set To Rake Corbeaux Woods
Famous Seventy-Five Throw
Tons of High Explosives Into
Columns Slaying Hundreds

GALLIC SOLDIERS HOLDING AT LE HOMME MORT HILL

Fresh Offensives Hurled At
Heights Dominating Douaumont Fort and Plateau Sent
Reeling Backward By Cannon

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
PARIS, March 17.—Fresh German offensives, directed against the French positions on Le Homme Mort, the heights which dominate the Douaumont hill and plateau, which were launched yesterday, have been again disastrously repulsed, the German infantry being thrown back in the direction of the Corbeaux woods, the retreating columns losing very heavily.

The Germans, even in their retreat, fell into another French trap, the French artillery having been concentrated so as to rake the Corbeaux woods from end to end. When the Teuton columns had withdrawn into the supposed shelter of the woods, the seven 75's came into action and the destruction of German lives from the thousands of high explosive shells poured into their exposed ranks was horrible. The various battles for possession of Le Homme Mort, regarded as one of the most important strategic positions before Verdun by the French for the holding of the line, have been most fought and the Germans, who have three attempted to storm the crest, have lost at this point very many of the thousands the whole Verdun offensive has cost them.

The French military critics, while acknowledging the value of the heights to the French, state that its loss would not bring any corresponding advantage to the Germans, inasmuch as it would not be easy for the Germans to haul up the steep hillside their heavy guns, indispensable to the crushing of the French defenses.

French Posts Secure

The French have their guns in position and these positions would have to be rendered useless before the French can be driven out, while defense and gun emplacements useless to the French would be equally useless to the Germans.

That the Germans, even if they should succeed in throwing enough men against Le Homme Mort to enable a surviving force to seize the heights, would be able to hold them is regarded as improbable, while the driving back of the French so long as they continue to hold the high ground is impossible. Yesterday's claim from Berlin that the Germans had seized the main heights were apparently based upon the fact that the German charges were made with such ferocity and such disregard of life that for a time they occupied a portion of the French positions, from which they were later expelled.

Blow Up Trench

Infantry patrols of the French yesterday discovered the positions of German artillery at La Plagne, in the vicinity of Neuport, near the Belgian border. Well-directed gun fire completely destroyed the German communicating trenches. Numbers of Germans were killed at Hautremont and at Dambloup. In these sections the enemy is engaged in perfecting the defenses while being heavily shelled.

In a surprise attack in the forest of Apremont, the French inflicted losses on the Germans. In the Vosges German attacks were repulsed.

RAILROADER ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
ST. LOUIS, March 17.—Robert E. Bigby, who has been for years the assistant cashier here for the Wabash Railroad, yesterday confessed to being \$18,000 short in his accounts. He has been placed under arrest on a charge of embezzlement.

SOUND NAVAL STATION BILL PASSES SENATE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—The senate yesterday passed the bill introduced by Senator Poinsett, which appropriates \$2,065,000 to equip the Puget Sound navy yard with facilities to enable it to construct future battleships. The bill now goes to the house for its consideration.

United States Cavalry At Brownsville, Texas, Before Joining Pershing Expedition Into Mexico



WILHELM IS WON OVER No Break With United States

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Kaiser Wilhelm is determined under no circumstances to break with the United States, even if the stand he has decided upon adopting brings about a factional fight in the Reichstag. This is indicated by despatches from Berlin received here last night.

Recent articles in the Berlin semi-official press have indicated this before, but the latest reports from the German capital are to the effect that the Emperor has come around to the opinion that an open break with the administration and people of the United States would prove too costly.

Recently Count von Reventlow, in an article which attracted wide attention in Germany, pointed out the danger of becoming involved with America. He declared that the weight of the material wealth of this country thrown into the scale against Germany would "make it all the more difficult for Germany to attain" to its ultimate triumph. "But," he added, "the greatest hurt would follow after the war, in the commercial struggle that is to come."

SUBMARINE SINKS BIG DUTCH SHIP

Sends Her To Bottom of North Sea With No Warning Word

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
LONDON, March 17.—With a number of Americans on board, including Richard Carmen-Schilling, the Dutch steamer Turbanta, fifteen thousand tons burden, was sunk by a torpedo off the coast of Holland yesterday afternoon. No warning was given the ship by the attacking submarine, say reports from Amsterdam, where the most intense excitement and anger prevails.

The Turbanta was on her way with a large cargo to the River de la Platte ports in South America, and had not proceeded far on her voyage when she was attacked by an underwater craft. She sank very rapidly, but fortunately remained afloat long enough to enable her commander to save all of her passengers and crew.

The correspondent for the Central News agency at Amsterdam reports that there were three hundred passengers on board the Turbanta among whom were three Americans. "It is certain that she was unharmed," he says in his despatches regarding the sinking of the steamer.

Lloyd's agency at Amsterdam reports that while the ship was gone down all of her passengers and crew have been saved.

TO SEND JAPANESE ENVOY (Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji)

TOKIO, March 16.—The Japanese government has decided to send a representative to London to attend the Allies' financial conference which will be held in England in the near future. R. Wakatsuki, former minister of the treasury, is the delegate likely to be named, according to local reports.

CANNERY TENDER SWAMPED (Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

SEATTLE, March 17.—Despatches from Prince Rupert last night, announced that the cannery tender Alaha, bound from Bellingham to Alaska ports, has been swamped off Rachel Island, and her crew, with the exception of one deck hand, drowned.

LIEUTENANT KILLS HIMSELF (Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

SAN ANTONIO, March 16.—Lieut. Edward Zell of the Eleventh Cavalry, which is under General Pershing's command, committed suicide today. He was a victim of melancholia. At West Point Zell was a football and baseball star.

NO NEWS COMES OUT OF MEXICO REGARDING PERSHING EXPEDITION

Washington Announces Mormon Colonists Are Safe But Here All Information Ceases

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—The censorship is holding fast any details of the American march into Mexico, although there is a wealth of near-news sent out by the host of correspondents who went to the border when the word of the punitive expedition was given out, and got no farther than one of the many little border towns.

Both columns of the expedition are said to be meeting with the fullest cooperation from the Carranza forces, although Consul Garcia, the Carranza representative at El Paso, denies that there are any Carranza troops with General Pershing's command. Other reports, even less substantiated and flatly contradicted by still other rumors, say that the Americans have already come into active conflict with the Carranza forces and that supporters have wounded six or seven of the troops under General Pershing.

Washington is silent. Where General Pershing and Colonel Dorr are at present, but if so they are keeping the secret very well. It is admitted, however, that the two columns are expected to join hands tomorrow about fifty miles south of the border, but the junction point is not mentioned.

General Pershing, in his first report to General Funston, who is in command of the expedition, with his headquarters at San Antonio, says that things are progressing favorably. The column proceeded into Mexico a few miles Wednesday afternoon, then camped for the night, with no incident to break the quiet of the whole proceeding. The report makes no mention of any sniping.

Couriers reaching El Paso report that the Mormon colonists at Casas Grandes are safe, as it is believed that Villa has passed that place headed for the mountains. Several members of the Mormon church at Casas Grandes have been enrolled by General Pershing as scouts. They are familiar with the country through which the troops will have to march, and are proving of great value. Villa, who is said to have with him about four hundred men, is now declared to be heading for the mountains as fast as his horses will carry him, disbanding as he goes, in tendency to die up in hiding until better times. He will, it is said, keep only a few of his closest companions with him.

Battleship To Vera Cruz

The battleship Kentucky, now at New Orleans, has been ordered to Vera Cruz, as her wireless equipment is needed for assisting in communication with the United States authorities. She will leave at once.

General Funston last night ordered additional troops to Hachita, New Mexico, to be held in readiness in case reinforcements are needed. Advice to the state department last night announced that Americans in Mexico are fleeing the country for the United States, or if that is impossible, are getting to the coast towns where they will have a better opportunity for protection than in the interior towns.

SAN DIEGO POLICEMAN IS SHOT BY MEXICAN

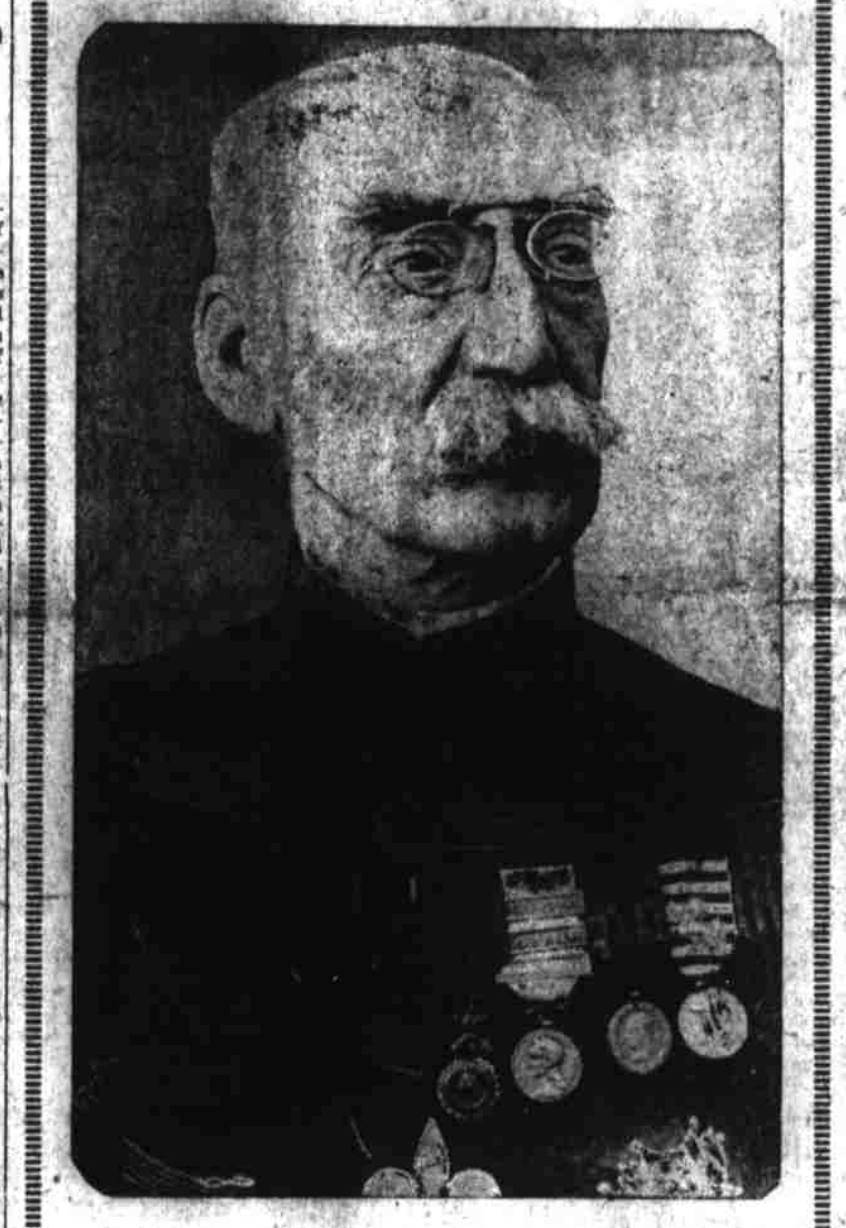
(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
SAN DIEGO, March 17.—Patrolman Jack Weymouth was shot and probably fatally wounded last night by a Mexican whom he had ordered to halt. The Mexican escaped.

U. S. SUBMARINE LAUNCHED (Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

QUINCY, Massachusetts, March 17.—The United States submarine L-10, which was constructed at the Fore River yards, was launched there yesterday.

FRENCH MINISTER OF WAR RESIGNS FROM CABINET Famous General Gallieni is Succeeded By General Roque

GENERAL GALLIENI, Famous Soldier-Statesman Who Has Resigned From Office of Minister of War of France



Retiring Official Was Military Governor of Paris When Battle of Marne Was Fought

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
PARIS, March 17.—General Gallieni, minister of war, has resigned his portfolio and has been succeeded in office by General Roque. General Gallieni was commander of the garrison of Paris during the first fierce thrust of von Kluck, at the outbreak of the war, and to him, it was said, is due in large measure the successful counter-attack of the battle of the Marne, which drove the invaders back to their present lines.

CHINESE PROVINCE JOINS IN REVOLT AGAINST YUAN

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)
TOKIO, March 16.—The province of Kiangsi has declared its independence of Yuan Shih-kai. This is the third province in China to join the republican government as a whole. Other provinces are partially occupied by the revolutionary troops, but have not yet declared independence. The other provinces which at present form a unit in the republic are Yunnan and Kweichow.

GERMANY WILL MAKE NO CHANGE IN NAVAL POLICY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
BERLIN, March 16.—Announcement is made here that the retirement of Grand Admiral von Tirpitz, who has been the head of the German navy, will not change Germany's submarine policy. The rumor is that von Tirpitz is displaced by Admiral von Capelle because of the inactivity of the German fleet.

JAPAN WILL PROTEST SEARCHING OF VESSELS

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)
TOKIO, March 16.—It is learned that the Japanese foreign department has called K. Inouye, Japanese ambassador to the Court of St. James, to file a protest with the British government in regard to Japanese merchantmen being searched by British cruisers in the China Sea. The ships which were searched are the Tenyo, Iyo, Chikuzen, Yamashiro and Tanba Maru. It is stated that the search was made to apprehend Indian subjects of Great Britain.

CANADA IS NEGOTIATING LOAN IN UNITED STATES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
NEW YORK, March 16.—A number of big American bankers headed by J. P. Morgan & Co., are negotiating with Canada for the flotation of a new loan, estimated at about \$75,000,000. A statement by Mr. Morgan confirms the report.

SENATOR LODGE HOLDS WILSON POLICIES UP TO BITTER RIDICULE

Announcing Candidacy For Re-election Legislator Attacks Administration

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
LYNN, Massachusetts, March 17.—Bitterly attacking President Wilson for his domestic and foreign policies, or rather what he declared is a total lack of policy, either at home or abroad, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, announced his candidacy for re-election in an address here last night.

He declared that no other administration could have proved itself so injurious to the welfare of the people of the United States, and denounced the Democratic party in congress for sitting idle while the citizens of the country were being and murdered in Mexico. Lodge said that the administration's lack of policy and failure to protect American citizens in Mexico, as little less than contemptible, and asserted that history will charge Wilson and his administration with responsibility of the present state of affairs in Mexico.

"The present state of affairs in that strife-ridden country," he added, "is due in large measure to America's failure to protect Americans, no matter where they may be."

In speaking of the President's defense plans Senator Lodge said that Wilson is playing politics with the vital interests of the people. Preparedness Plan Is Shown

"The program the President has placed before the country," he continued, "is partly sham and is wholly inadequate to meet the demands of the situation. Nothing that he has said or done since he took office so clearly betrays his failure as chief executive of the nation as his so-called preparedness plans."

The tariff and taxation legislation of the administration was also attacked by the speaker, who declared that the tariff law has proved itself incapable of taking care of the needs of the nation and that the tax burdens laid by the Wilson tax legislation is unjustly and unevenly divided.

SAYS BRYAN IS NOT DEMOCRAT

Omaha Man Wants Peerless Leader's Name Struck Off Primary Ballot

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
OMAHA, March 17.—That William Jennings Bryan is no longer a Democrat and is therefore not entitled to have his name appear upon the primary ballot as a candidate for delegate at large to the Democratic national convention from Nebraska, is the charge filed yesterday with the secretary of state by R. W. Whitted of Omaha.

Mr. Whitted has filed a formal protest against the official classification of Mr. Bryan as a Democrat and has asked for a formal hearing at which he will produce the proofs he has in his possession.

SINN FEIN FIGHTING RECRUITING OF IRISH

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)
LONDON, March 16.—The London Post today publishes an article characterizing as serious the situation in Ireland. The Sinn Fein society is said to be campaigning actively against recruiting in Ireland and the efforts to secure recruits are arousing much opposition.

LOWER HOUSE OF CONGRESS PUTS TARIFF TAX ON SUGAR

Administration Measure Repealing Duty-Free Clause of Underwood Act Passes By Big Majority After Spirited Debate

ONLY THIRTEEN MEMBERS OPPOSE BILL AS REPORTED

Representative Kitchin Lines Up With Majority and Flails Republicans Who Jibe Democrats For Having To Turn 'Flip-Flop'

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

WASHINGTON, March 17.—After one of the liveliest and most spirited debates of the session, the administration measure for the repeal of the free sugar clause of the Underwood Tariff Act passed in the house yesterday afternoon by a vote of three hundred and forty-six to thirteen. Those who opposed the repeal to the last and contended for the abolition of all duties upon sugar imports after the first of May were Bailey of Pennsylvania, Buchanan, Sabath and McAndrews of Illinois, Gallaway of Texas, Cresser and Jordan of Ohio; Hilliard of Colorado, Howard of Georgia, Johnson of Kentucky, Thompson of Oklahoma, and Van Dyke of Minnesota. All Democrats and London of New York State, the Socialist member.

Kitchin backs Administration. The most vocal of the opposition during the debate was Rep. Claude Kitchin, chairman of the ways and means committee and nominal floor leader for the majority, his speech being notable for a number of things, one of which is that this occasion marked one of the few times the majority leader has unqualifiedly supported an administration measure.

Although Chairman Kitchin in his advocacy of this measure and in the voting was on the same side as the whole Republican strength, he was unmercifully quizzed in the course of his address by the tariff experts of the minority and there were several clashes between him and various Republican questioners.

Turns Tables On Republicans. Kitchin turned the tables on those Republicans who "twitted him with having executed a rightabout face on the sugar tariff question by reading from back files of the Congressional record and from the Republican campaign pamphlets of the early nineties to show that the Republicans themselves had favored the original free sugar legislation.

The Democratic support for a limited tariff upon sugar now is due he said, to the decline in American imports due to the war and the consequent falling off in the estimated revenue, "although the Democrats never committed themselves to the theory that there should be free sugar at all times and have not reversed themselves even now as completely as the Republicans have reversed themselves in the past on the question of the tariff," he said.

Attacks Payne-Aldrich Bill

Elaborating on this subject, the spokesman of the administration declared that he had heard many Democratic denunciations of the provisions of the Underwood Act, showing that legislation did not represent in its entirety the united sentiments of the Democratic party.

"But I have never yet heard a solitary Republican even attempt to defend the Payne-Aldrich Tariff Act," he added.

"You Republicans repudiated that legislation the very first session after you had passed it," he said, "and President Taft, in his campaign for re-election, had to promise to revise it."

These retorts to the Republican interruptions precipitated a lively debate of the Republican tariff acts by Cannon, Fordney, Cooper and Greene, each of whom disagreed with the Democratic spokesmen. Representative Cannon was emphatic in his remarks. Cannon Has No Apology

"I approved of the Payne-Aldrich Tariff when it was passed and after it was passed," he shouted, "I never apologized for it on any occasion and would to God it were effective now!"

Then retorted Kitchin, "you now repudiate the Republican platform of 1912 in which you promised the equality that you would revise the Payne-Aldrich tariff if your commission declared that the tariff rates were too high."

Representative Bailey of Pennsylvania made an unsuccessful attempt to read the repeal measure amended to read that the suspension of the free

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